AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended): An arylamine compound of the formula:

$$Z-(Ar-NX)_n-Ar-(NX-Ar)_{n'}-Z,$$
 (I)

wherein,

Ar independently each occurrence is a group comprising one or more divalent aromatic groups, and optionally two Ar groups separated by a single NX group may be joined together by a second covalent bond or by a bridging group, thereby forming a fused multiple ring system;

X is an inert substituent or a cross-linkable group selected from the group consisting of - $(R^4)_p$ - CR^3 = CR^3_2 , $-(R^4)_p$ - $C\equiv CR^3$, $-(R^4)_p$ - $O(R^4)_p$ C R^3 = CR^3_2 , $-(R^4)_p$ - $O(R^4)_p$ C R^3 = R^3_2 , $-(R^4)_p$ - R^3 = R^3

wherein

 R^3 is hydrogen, halogen, C_{1-20} hydrocarbyl, C_{1-20} halohydrocarbyl, or C_{1-20} halocarbyl; R^4 is C_{1-20} hydrocarbylene, C_{1-20} halohydrocarbylene, or C_{1-20} halocarbylene; and p is 0 or 1, with the proviso that in at least one occurrence in said compound, X is a-the crosslinkable group;

Z independently each occurrence is halo, cyano, triflate azide, -B(OR¹)₂, or

$$-B \stackrel{O}{>} R^2$$

wherein R^1 , independently in each occurrence, is hydrogen or a C_{1-10} alkyl group, and R^2 , independently each occurrence, is a C_{2-10} alkylene group,

n is 1 or 2; and

n' is 0, 1 or 2.

- 2. (Canceled).
- 3. (Canceled).
- 4. (Original): A compound according to claim 1 wherein X in at least one occurrence is 1-benzo-3,4-cyclobutane or 4-phenyl-1-(benzo-3,4-cyclobutane).
 - 5. (Canceled).
- 6. (Original): A compound according to claim 1 wherein Ar each occurrence is phenylene, 9,9-di(C_{1-20} alkyl)fluorenyl, or a combination thereof; X is 3,4-benzocyclobutan-1-yl, ethenyl or p-ethenylphenyl; Z is bromine or hydrogen; n is 1 or 2; and n' is 0 or 1.

- 7. (Original): A compound according to claim 6 wherein Ar each occurrence is phenylene; each X group is 3,4-benzocyclobutan-1-yl; Z each occurrence is bromine; n is 1 or 2; and n' is 0.
 - 8. (Original): A compound according to claim 7 wherein n is 1.
 - 9. (Original): A compound according to claim 1 having the formula:

wherein Y is a covalent bond, O, S or NR; where

R independently each occurrence is i) hydrogen; ii) halogen; iii) a C_{1-20} hydrocarbyl group; iv) a hydrocarbyl group substituted with one or more heteroatom containing groups containing up to 20 atoms not counting hydrogen and wherein the heteroatom is selected from S, N, O, P, B or Si; v) a halogenated derivative of iii) or iv); or vi) a substituted derivative of iii) or iv) wherein the substituent is a crosslinkable X group; and

n, n', X, and Z are as previously defined in claim 1.

10. (Withdrawn): An oligomer or polymer having one or more repeating groups of the formula:

$$Z'$$
-(Ar-NX')_n-Ar-(NX'-Ar)_n- Z' _(Ia)

where X' is X or a divalent crosslinked remnant formed by addition polymerization of a crosslinkable X group;

Z' is Z, a covalent bond, or a terminal group formed by replacement or reaction of a leaving group;

Ar independently each occurrence is a divalent aromatic group, and optionally two Ar groups separated by a single NX group may be joined together by a second covalent bond or by a bridging group, thereby forming a fused multiple ring system;

X is an inert substituent, with the proviso that in at least one occurrence in said compound, X is a crosslinkable group;

Z independently each occurrence is hydrogen or a leaving group,

n is 1 or 2; and

n' is 0, 1 or 2.

11. (Withdrawn): An oligomer or polymer according to claim 10 having one or more repeating groups la) of the formula:

$$Z \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} N \\ X \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} N \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} N \\ X \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} N \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} N \\ X \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} N \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} N \\ X \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} N \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} N \\ X \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} N \end{array}$$

where X' is X or a divalent crosslinked remnant formed by addition polymerization of a crosslinkable X group;

X is an inert substituent or a group capable of forming crosslinking functionality; Y is O, S or NR';

R independently each occurrence is i) hydrogen; ii) halogen; iii) a C_{1-20} hydrocarbyl group; iv) a hydrocarbyl group substituted with one or more heteroatom containing groups containing up to 20 atoms not counting hydrogen and wherein the heteroatom is selected from S, N, O, P, B or Si; v) a halogenated derivative of iii) or iv); or vi) a substituted derivative of iii) or iv) wherein the substituent is a crosslinkable X group;

Z' is Z, a covalent bond or a terminal group formed by replacement or reaction of a leaving group;

n is 1 or 2; and n' is 0, 1 or 2.

12. (Withdrawn): A crosslinked polymer according to claim 10 or 11 wherein X' in at least one occurrence is a divalent crosslinked remnant formed by addition polymerization of a crosslinkable X group.

- 13. (Withdrawn): A crosslinked polymer according to claim 12, wherein X' comprises conjugated unsaturation.
- 14. (Withdrawn): A process for preparing oligomers or polymers according to claim 10, which comprises heating a composition comprising a compound according to claim 1 under reaction conditions sufficient to form an oligomer or polymer.
- 15. (Withdrawn): A film comprising one or more of the oligomers or polymers according to claim 10 or preparable according to claim 14.
- 16. (Withdrawn): An electronic device comprising one or more layers of polymer films, at least one of which comprises a film according to claim 15.